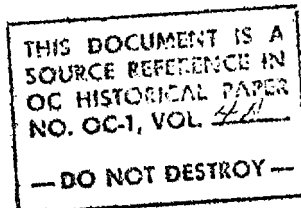


TWENTIETH MEETING OF OSO/OPC COMMUNICATIONS BOARD

The twentieth meeting of the OSO/OPC Communications Board was held at 2 PM, Tuesday, 31 May 1950. Present were:



Item I. The minutes were approved as read.

Item II. [REDACTED]

Negotiations on this subject seem to have come to a standstill and the Board has been requested to determine the next necessary step. It was pointed out that the Department of State has requested that CIA and [REDACTED] settle the problem between them and come up with one request for Department support. The Department will make only one request to the Government and has no assurance that such request will be approved. [REDACTED] requirement is for a very large station of a minimum of 100 personnel. CIA minimum requirement is for approximately 12 people. If [REDACTED] request were approved for only a small station, there is no assurance that there would be room for a CIA complement. Due to budgetary difficulties, the [REDACTED] are not ready to put their station at this time. However, they desire to keep their request to the Department active. The [REDACTED] representatives who will make a survey [REDACTED] are leaving about the first week in July, and it was generally agreed that effort should be made to have a joint conference with [REDACTED] prior to the departure of such representatives so as to come to a decision on the whole situation. Discussion was had as to the best possible channel to use to get a decision and it was decided that a letter should be prepared for DCI signature to the Secretary of Defense, giving a situation report of the whole problem and requesting a decision.

Item III. [REDACTED]

Since all negotiations and policy decisions have been reached and a final report presented to the Board by [REDACTED] on this item, it was agreed that it be dropped from the Agenda.

Item IV. [REDACTED]

Item carried over to next meeting.

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Item V. SOP for Procurement of Agent Equipment:

A new draft was presented and form in which this directive is to be issued was discussed. It was decided that a covering memorandum would be issued by each office and requesting that such directive not be amended by either office without coordination with the OSO/OPC Communications Board. 25X1
It was then agreed that this item be removed from the Agenda.

Item VI. New Business:

25X1 [redacted] was welcomed as the new member of the Board for OPC, and a vote of thanks was extended to [redacted] for his service 25X1
on the Board.

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 PM.

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